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LAKELAND DRUG TRAFFICKER SENTENCED

Tampa, Florida - U.S. District Judge Steven D. Merryday today sentenced Jeremiah Carson, age 30, to a term of imprisonment of 21 years and 10 months for possession and distribution of crack cocaine. Carson pleaded guilty to possession and distribution of five grams or more of crack cocaine on July 1, 2008.

According to court documents, Carson distributed crack cocaine to a confidential informant on three different occasions. Carson was classified as a career criminal, having previously been convicted of two prior drug trafficking offenses.

The case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Lakeland Police Department. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Maria Chapa Lopez.
